

## Condensed News Items

SHORT STORIES TERSELY TOLD FOR THE BENEFIT OF BUSY READERS.

### CONGRESSIONAL.

A new shipping bill to create an American merchant marine under private ownership and operation has been drafted by the Senate commerce subcommittee, Senator Jones stated.

An English company has a monopoly on cable facilities in Brazil, Senator Kellogg, Republican, of Minnesota, charged in the Senate.

A bill to place a heavy tax on those who held cost-plus contracts during the war was introduced in the House by Representative Tinscher, Kansas.

The Senate adopted an amendment to the navy bill giving the Secretary of the Navy wide discretion in the development of the naval oil reserve.

An agreement on the waterpower bill was reached by the Senate and House Conference, but the changes agreed upon will not be made public until the conference report is ready for submission to the House.

The voluntary training provision placed by the senate in the army reorganization bill is not pleasing to the Missouri and southern Illinois members of the house. A hard fight will be made to defeat the provision in the conference committee of the house and senate.

"Division commanders of the army who send untrained troops abroad should be court-martialed," Senator Lenroot, Republican, of Wisconsin, declared in a letter to Secretary of War Baker.

### LABOR.

A strike of mine workers in the anthracite fields looms as a result of the refusal of a compromise of 15 per cent wage increase by the General Scale Committee of the United Mine Workers, meeting at New York with operators on a new working agreement.

Bread may reach 18 cents a loaf in Chicago, master bakers predicted, after granting a \$48 scale to the union bakers, with \$1.25 an hour for overtime.

The Railroad Labor Board denied petitions for immediate hearing of the "outlaw" strikers of Philadelphia and Pittsburgh and for the Chicago Express and Freight Handlers' Association.

Federal inquiry into strike conditions in New York was conducted by Judge C. B. Ames, assistant United States attorney general.

Incomplete reports from over the Kansas coal fields indicated that four-fifths of the deep mines which have been idle for two weeks, were working. Approximately 10,000 miners are at work.

The National Union of Railway Workers at Berlin has induced the government to recommend that the workers be granted increased wages.

### CRIMINAL.

Anson Best, of Pontiac, Mich., who confessed he murdered Vera Schneider, telephone operator, "because she wanted him to," admitted he had slain her while attacking her and that she had "died fighting."

Mrs. Ida May Needham, a wealthy Chicago widow, has identified James J. Harrigan, burglar, who was killed in a revolver battle with policemen, as a man she was about to marry last year.

The Pontiac, Mich., police and sheriff's departments and a detail from the Detroit Detective Bureau are engaged in the investigation of the death of Miss Vera Schneider, a telephone operator, whose body was found on the porch of a dwelling in one of the city's best residential districts.

### DOMESTIC.

That the Methodist Episcopal Conference, which meets at Syracuse, N. Y., will lift the restrictions against innocent amusements, so long banned, is the prediction of Rev. Dr. Edmund M. Mills.

Cafeterias and canteens are enterprises helping hotel men meet revenues lost through prohibition, according to officials of the Hotel Men's Show, which is to be held at Chicago, May 10 to 15.

"Grow thin and bent the high cost of living by reducing the amount of food you eat and the amount of materials necessary to make the clothing you wear," is the slogan on two Chicago clubs working to reduce the weight of members.

No limit has been placed on the number of whisky prescriptions a physician may issue to supply legitimate needs. Emphatic denial was made by John F. Kramer, federal prohibition commissioner.

One workman was killed at Des Moines, Ia., in the explosion of the Des Moines Gas Company plant.

Secretary Baker announced Camp Grant, Ill., has been selected as a special service school for army chaplains starting May 15.

Letters written by Jack Dempsey to Maxine Wayne Dempsey during the period in which he is alleged to have evaded the draft will be introduced by the government in the trial of the heavy-weight champion at San Francisco.

Lepers colonized in Louisiana are threatening to make a parade in Washington to force Congress to provide aid for them.

Despite a ruling of prohibition officers, Federal Commissioner Haynes of Boston maintains that a man with a handbag containing liquor cannot be seized and searched by officers of the law without a warrant.

Public nominations in the Hall of Fame of New York University will close May 1, it has been announced by Mrs. Wm. Vanamee, acting director of the hall.

One pound of sugar a week to each household until the present critical sugar shortage is relieved is advocated by Chicago wholesale grocers.

Tables showing the increased cost of living since 1913 were laid before the Senate by the committee on pensions as "an unanswerable argument" in favor of the bill providing an increase of \$65,000,000 in pensions.

### MISCELLANEOUS.

"The American public must co-operate with its railroads even to the extent of investing money in railroad securities," Homer Ferguson, president of the United States Chamber of Commerce, said at Atlantic City.

More than 150,000 persons visited at Coney Island recently because of the ideal weather, and many of them went away thirsty because the dry agents were busy taking the joy out of life, five waiters and proprietors of dancing pavilions and cabarets being arrested for alleged violation of prohibition laws.

Because he proved himself a good "waiter," William Perry, who attends the warden's table at Ossining, N. Y., received commutation that will release him immediately.

Representative Charles A. Nichols of Detroit collapsed at his home in Washington while at dinner with his mother and died in a few minutes.

Advices from Mexico City reaching Washington, including some reports to the government, appeared to be in sharp conflict with the summary of the situation as to the Sonora revolutionary movement made public in Mexico City.

Rear Admiral C. B. Brittain, chief of staff to the commander of the Atlantic fleet, shot and killed himself at Guantanamo, Secretary Daniels was advised by Admiral Wilson, commander-in-chief of the fleet there.

### PERSONAL.

John D. Rockefeller, Jr., today added a gift of \$4,000,000 in the name of his mother to the New Work Movement of Northern Baptists.

A magnificent collection of gifts, particularly jewels, the total value of which exceeds \$1,000,000, has been received by Miss Rachel Littleton, whose marriage to Cornelius Vanderbilt, Jr., will be one of the gala events of New York Society.

Champ Clark, former speaker of the House of Representatives, has decided to become a candidate for the Democratic presidential nomination. It was announced at New York by Mrs. Julia Sanders, an officer of the Swastika Club.

President Wilson, it is understood, has privately passed the word that all good Democrats are free to do as they please regarding running for the presidential nomination in San Francisco. No one is to hang back on his account.

### FOREIGN.

The Diet has approved a bill creating a Greater Berlin, which, in point of area, 622 square kilometers, would rank with New York City.

Lord Dewar, who has just returned to England from Central Africa, in giving an account of his travels there, said the increased cost of living in the district was reflected in the higher price for wives paid by the natives.

The recent communication sent by the Jewish delegation to Paris to the Peace Conference regarding alleged anti-Jewish atrocities in Hungary have evoked expressions of indignation at Budapest.

Another Pacific Coast port of Mexico, Manzanillo, State of Colima, is menaced by revolutionary forces, according to an official bulletin issued by the Sonora military officials at Aguabierta.

Troops from the federal garrison at Vera Cruz are being rushed by boat to Tampico to the aid of General Francisco Murgula, Carranza commander in the oil district, according to advices received at San Antonio.

The British tariff wall, giving preference to the colonies and operating against the United States, is under attack by Sir George Paish, financial writer, who spent considerable time in America recently.

Turtle Lake, N. D.—Seven of the eight persons found murdered near Turtle Lake, N. D., were shot with a shotgun, while the eighth died after being struck a blow on the side of the head with a hatchet, it was decided at the coroner's inquest.

Developments of the last few weeks resulting from the Sonora revolutionary activities in Mexico show that the government is preparing to encircle the rebellious state with a steel ring, meanwhile crushing sporadic outbreaks in other parts of the republic with a iron hand.

## PLOT TO MURDER OFFICIALS IN U. S.

TWENTY MARKED FOR DEATH ON MAY 1 ALL OVER THE NATION BARED.

### CONSPIRED WORLD'S REVOLT

Attorney General Palmer Says Radicals Planned Strikes and Disorder to Enforce Peace With Russian Soviet.

Washington.—Plots against the lives of more than a score of federal and state officials have been discovered by the department of justice as part of radical May Day demonstrations, Attorney General Palmer has announced.

The assassinations and assaults, Palmer said, were included in the May Day program organized by the Communist Labor party and other radical elements, and were, in addition to strikes and other disturbances, intended by the radicals as an effort in behalf of peace with Soviet Russia.

State officials marked as "victims" have been notified by the department, the attorney general added, of the information in the hands of the federal government and their co-operation requested in repressing radical demonstrations.

### Aligned With European Leaders.

The department has information, according to the attorney general, that the instigators of the May Day demonstration here have been working in "direct connection and union" with leaders of disturbances set for Europe.

As in Europe, attacks are being made to incite strikes in all basic American industries, Palmer said, although he did not believe they would be successful.

"I'm not going to prophesy what will happen," Palmer said. "I am just making public some of the things our agents have discovered. But if a will to upset our nation's whole scheme of living counts for anything, the radicals may cause some trouble."

Palmer said that while he could not disclose the nature of the Communist Labor party's plans in connection with further strikes, leaders of that organization had concentrated on several important industries and that the demonstrations planned to cause trouble by walkouts.

## SAYS PRIMARY IS WARNING

BRYAN DECLARES PEOPLE CONDEMNS U. S. SENATE.

Commoner Says That Delay in Treaty Ratification May Deluge the World in Blood.

Pittsburgh, Pa.—William Jennings Bryan, in a statement issued here, declared that the recent primaries were a warning that Democratic Senators should lose no time in voting for the ratification of the peace treaty.

"Delay in ratification may deluge the world in blood and flood our country with woe," said Bryan. "The recent primaries should be a warning. In Georgia, less than one-third of the Democrats stood for the treaty without reservations. Two-thirds were divided about equally between ratification with reservation and total rejection of the treaty. In Nebraska, Senator Hitchcock's vote would not have been worth counting had he been compelled to rely on those who endorsed his attitude on the treaty."

"My fight was made on a platform declaring for ratification with reservations already agreed upon by a large majority of the Senate. Senator Johnson's vote is largely a protest against the treaty and against the blundering of Senators who talk for the treaty, but quarrel over reservations."

"A campaign in favor of ratification without reservations would result in overwhelming defeat, but what is infinitely worse, it would prevent the consideration of pressing domestic problems and leave the whole world to chaos. Our counsel and advice today may contribute more to world peace than an army of a million men would a year from now."

"If our party refuses to aid ratification now, it must share, even if it does not fully assume, responsibility for what follows."

### CARRANZA'S TROOPS CLASH WITH REBEL FORCES

Agua Prieta, Sonora.—Carranza troops and revolutionists had their first clash in the mountains dividing the states of Chihuahua and Sonora. It was announced at military headquarters here that advance detachments of the two forces clashed near Pulpito Pass.

### Contractor Sues Union Men.

Bloomington, Ill.—A new angle in a labor fight was brought to light in the filing in the circuit court by Charles E. Hall, a building contractor, of a damage suit for \$50,000, naming as defendants 48 union workmen in various building crafts.

### \$30,000 Registered Mail Is Stolen.

San Diego, Cal.—A mail truck driver reported to the police that he was held up and robbed by a negro of registered mail believed to total more than \$30,000.

## TOURS WORLD WITH AID OF FLAT IRON

KANSAS CITY BOASTS DANISH GIRL SKILLED BY WORLD-WIDE EXPERIENCE.

### SHE DOES FANCY HAND-WORK

Denmark, France, Germany, Holland and Austria Saw Her Before United States Became Her Home.

Kansas City, Mo.—Mrs. Meta Hopfner has accomplished her desire to see the world with the simple aid of a flat iron. Her specialty is fancy hand ironing of extra fine shirts, and her trade has taken her about two hemispheres. More than 11 years ago she came to Kansas City and she is still an employee in a laundry here at fancy wages.

Mrs. Hopfner was born in Copenhagen, Denmark. There, at the age of 17, she first began to wield the flat-iron. She was content to press Danish shirt bosoms six years. Then she gave in to the wanderlust and set out for Paris.

"I was apprenticed there for a year," she said. "You see, I desired to see the world. Next, I went back to Denmark and started a business of my own."

The business at home was too confining. The world wasn't half seen. Secure in the knowledge that she always could find work in her trade of ironing shirts, as long as she did not venture to include the Fiji Islands or Central Africa in her itinerary, Mrs. Hopfner started on her travels again. This time she made Germany. The shirts of Berlin, Dresden and Hamburg felt the weight of her iron hand.

Everywhere she learned the language of the natives. She laundered in Amsterdam. Her farthest point east was Vienna. Beyond that lay the Orient, and the peril of Chinese laundry marks. In 1903 she sailed for the United States.

### Defies the Income Tax.

Jefferson City, Mo.—Col. Webb M. Rubey, wealthy citizen of Macon county, has declined to file an income tax return. He contends that by filing he would admit the constitutionality of a law he believes is invalid.

The assessor of Macon county passed the buck to State Auditor Hackmann, who in turn referred the case to Attorney General McAllister. Chief Assistant Attorney General Hose, after examining the law, referred it back to Edwards, prosecuting attorney of Macon county.

### On Trial for Murder.

Hannibal, Mo.—George Brannham, who is alleged to have struck Mrs. Grace Johnson, 39 years old, in the face with his fist, causing her death two hours later, went to trial in the Hannibal court of common pleas on a second-degree murder charge.

The defense contends Brannham did not strike the woman, but that her death was due to apoplexy, caused by excitement.

### Girl Slain for Burglar.

Nevada, Mo.—Miss Sabra Douglass, 20 years of age, was shot and killed by James Treasure, a Missouri Pacific conductor of this city. The girl was living at the Treasure home and Treasure shot her as she was coming in the house, mistaking her for a burglar. The coroner's jury acquitted Treasure.

### Woman Made Secretary.

Joplin, Mo.—Miss Anna Nolen, editor of the Monroe City News, was one of the few women elected to official position in the Democratic congressional caucuses. She was elected secretary of the Second District caucus and is an active figure among women here.

### To Sell Road Bonds.

Galena, Mo.—The Stone county court has advertised for bids on a road bond issue of \$95,000, to be sold at the courthouse in Galena. Construction on the proposed system of roads in the county will be started just as soon as possible after the sale of the bonds.

### Martin Bank Robbed.

Kansas City, Mo.—A robber forced S. J. Roberts, cashier of the Martin City Bank, Martin City, Mo., into the bank vault, locked it and walked leisurely out of the bank and out of town with \$1,500 of the bank's currency.

### Peach Prospect Fair.

Brandsville, Mo.—Careful examination of peach buds has given the growers of the Koshkonong-Brandsville Elberta district here hope that 50 or 60 per cent of the peaches there survived the Easter freeze.

### Fortune in Popcorn.

Chillicothe, Mo.—Lindsey Stephens, a farmer of Caldwell county, decided last season that he would raise popcorn as a money crop. He raised 550 bushels and shipped the corn to a commission company in Kansas City, which paid him \$1,600 for his year's work.

### Nevada Man Commits Suicide.

Nevada, Mo.—William Jameson, 46 years of age, committed suicide by shooting himself. His health was given as the cause.

### State Delegates to San Francisco.

Joplin, Mo.—The complete list of delegates at large and district delegates to the Democratic National Convention in San Francisco and presidential candidates as chosen at the state convention in session here follows:

Delegates at Large—Gov. Frederick D. Gardner, Judge W. W. Graves, Rev. Burris A. Jenkins of Kansas City and Judge John S. Farrington of Springfield. (Other candidates were Charles M. Hay of St. Louis and W. T. Kemper.)

First District—Mrs. Charles F. Carter of Kirksville and J. W. Head of Palmyra; alternates, James Clapper of Schuyler county and Mrs. Bertha Crum-packer of Putnam county; presidential elector, Alexander Morris of Lancaster.

Second District—James H. Whitecotton of Monroe City and Mrs. Lulu Berry; alternates, Mrs. B. G. Smuts and W. H. Elliott; presidential elector, J. L. Hammett.

Third District—Charles E. Yancy and Mrs. J. W. McKnight of King City; alternates, W. T. Jones and Mrs. H. L. Faulkner; presidential elector, J. W. Perry.

Fourth District—P. T. Graves of Maitland and W. J. Youell of Atchison county; alternates, Mrs. Jenkins Andrews and J. P. Robinson; presidential elector, Robert Limerick of Savannah.

Fifth District—Senator James A. Reed and Joseph B. Shannon; alternates, Casimir C. Welsh and James T. Bradshaw, all of Kansas City; presidential elector, Fred W. Fleming of Kansas City.

Sixth District—G. E. Sexton and B. F. Clark; alternates, H. D. Sloan and L. E. Crook; presidential elector, Dr. C. A. Lusk.

Seventh District—Lee Looney of Sedalia and Judge Sam Davis of Marshall; alternates, Mrs. M. E. White of Warsaw and Mrs. Jane Ewing of Lafayette county; presidential elector, Ben Morgan of Bolivar.

Eighth District—Mrs. S. C. Hunt and Judge John Cosgrove, Booneville; alternates, S. T. Harrison and Mrs. Elmer Flint; presidential elector, John T. Washburn.

Ninth District—Mrs. R. L. Sutton, Troy, and Emil Rosenberger, Montgomery City; alternates, Mrs. Cora Peters and Mrs. Wise; presidential elector, A. W. Ebelling.

Tenth District—Sam Lazarus and A. S. Stuever; alternates, Mrs. R. E. Oldfather and Michael Arendes, all of St. Louis; presidential elector, Ben G. Brinkman.

Eleventh District—M. J. Whalen and John F. Byrne; alternates, Senator Elmer Brogan and Mrs. L. Vogel, all of St. Louis; presidential elector, George Waring.

Twelfth District—Senator Mike Kinney and Justice of the Peace Edward O. Rice; alternates, Mrs. John C. Rutledge, treasurer of the Democratic Women's Committee, and Dr. Edna M. Stone; presidential elector, Louis T. Matthews.

Thirteenth District—Sam McMinn, Marble Hill, and W. T. O'Neill, St. Francois county; alternates, Mrs. Floss Higginbotham, Potosi; Mrs. J. B. Daniel, Piedmont; presidential elector, Clyde Williams.

Fourteenth District—Ralph Womack, Springfield, and Mrs. W. W. Martin, Cape Girardeau; alternates, Andrew Vanwormer, West Plains, and Mrs. R. S. Dotz, Stone county; presidential elector, J. A. Boone, Charleston.

Fifteenth District—J. H. Collier, Newton county, and Miss Gertrude Williams, Sheldon; alternates, Mrs. Nick Frost and John K. Hill; presidential elector, Allen McReynolds.

Sixteenth District—Mrs. W. R. Peck, Salem, and A. J. Hawkins, Eminence; alternates, W. T. Wright, Richland, and Mrs. Joseph Campbell, Rolla; presidential elector, Don Vernon, Lebanon.

### Favor New Constitution.

Jefferson City, Mo.—County superintendents of public schools, in convention here, endorsed the campaign being organized for a new Missouri constitution. The endorsement followed an address by W. P. Evans of St. Louis, former state superintendent of public schools, who represents the new constitution of Missouri. Fifty-two superintendents signed up to work in their respective counties.

### Gigantic Road Program.

Excelsior Springs, Mo.—Definite plans for a state-wide campaign in Missouri for the passage of the \$60,000,000 road bond amendment, which is to be voted on at the November elections, were laid at Excelsior Springs where thirty-one delegates, called together by Gov. Gardner, formed the Missouri Good Roads Federation and elected Maj. Harry B. Hawes of St. Louis president.

### Pastor Goes to Panama.

Elisberry, Mo.—Rev. Thomas J. Phillips, for over five years pastor of Elisberry, Clarksville and Ramsey Creek Baptist churches, tendered his resignation. He stated that he had been tendered a call for his full time as pastor of the First Baptist church in Panama, Ill.

### Will Address Graduates.

Mexico, Mo.—Rev. Dr. J. C. Handy, pastor of the University Place Methodist Church in St. Louis, will deliver the address to the graduating class of the McMillan High School of this city this year.

### Mother of Six Nuns Dies.

Sedalia, Mo.—Mrs. Theresa Mary Riffel, 60, mother of nine children, six of whom are nuns in the Order of the Most Precious Blood at Maria Stein, Ohio, died near here.

### Five Years for Robbery.

Sedalia, Mo.—O. J. Burns was found guilty of holding up a gambling house here, March 21, and sentenced to the penitentiary for five years.

### School Head Resigns.

Sedalia, Mo.—Prof. J. P. Gass resigned as superintendent of the Sedalia public schools, after serving 12 years.

### Says "Yes" Over Phone.

Hannibal, Mo.—Miss Clara Snyder of Hannibal, who accepted a proposal of marriage over long distance telephone from Arthur Manchester, in Oakland, Cal., 2,200 miles away, will depart in a few days for the West to become his bride.

### Pythians to Rebuild.

Boonville, Mo.—The Knights of Pythians Lodge will soon begin the erection of a beautiful new building to take the place of the one destroyed by fire recently.

## Prayed for Cure Finds it After 10 Years

Food Would Sour and Boil—Teeth Like Chalk

Mr. Herbert M. Gessner writes from his home in Berlin, N. H.:

I had stomach trouble over ten years; kept getting worse. I tried everything for relief but it came back worse than ever. Last fall I got awfully bad; could only eat light loaf bread and tea. In January I got so bad that what I would eat would sour and boil; my teeth would be like chalk. I suffered terribly. I prayed every day for something to cure me. One day I read about EATONIC and told my wife to get me a box at the drug store as I was going to work at 4 p. m. I took one-third of it and began to feel relief; when it was three-fourths gone, I felt fine and when it was used up I had no pains. Wife got me another box. I have felt the pain but twice. I used five tablets out of the new box and I have no more stomach trouble. Now I write to tell you how thankful I am that I heard of EATONIC. I feel like a new man; I eat what I like, drink plenty of water, and it never hurts me at all.



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Literary Objection.  
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